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I'm Mike Abe and I want to serve as the Representative for the State House District 19 because I care deeply about people, our community and our state. I have the drive, passion, experience and proven leadership to make a positive difference.

I served as Spokesman for the Oahu Democrats for Property Tax Fairness Task Force and testified at numerous hearings before the City Council for property tax relief and accountability. We obtained some relief, but learned the City's primary revenue source is real property taxes and a real solution involves the State. I wrote and lobbied for a resolution in the State Legislature which asked the Governor and the County Mayors to create a joint task force to review state and county tax and revenue systems. The resolution passed one Senate Committee with Democrat and Republican support and was rated as one of the best 2006 legislative bills by the Star Bulletin Insider Survey. I serve as Chairman of the Kaimuki Neighborhood Board and have worked hard to find effective solutions for our parking problem, crime and drug dealing problems, and on other issues.

I've been married to Audrey for 25 years and our daughter Elizabeth will be a freshmen at the University of Hawaii. I am a Democrat.

I was born in Honolulu, raised in Kaimuki and on the Big Island, attended public schools, the Univerity of Hawaii at Manoa, obtained a B.A. in Economics from Haverford College, Pennsylvania, a Law degree from the University of San Francisco.